

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Robert M. Walker, of Tennessee, to be Under Secretary of the Army, Jerry MacArthur Hultin, of Virginia, to be Under

Secretary of the Navy, F. Whitten Peters, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force, and 32 routine military nominations in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

NOMINATION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Robert M. McNamara, Jr., of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 62 public bills, H.R. 2864–2925; 2 private bills, H.R. 2926–2927; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 101–102, H. Con. Res. 185–189, and H. Res. 312, were introduced. **Pages H10344–47**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2578, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for the collection of data with respect to the number of non-immigrants who remain in the United States after the expiration of the period of stay authorized by the Attorney General (H. Rept. 105–387);

Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses: VA, DOD, Continue to Resist Strong Evidence Linking Toxic Causes to Chronic Health Effects (H. Rept. 105–388);

H.J. Res. 95, granting the consent of Congress to the Chickasaw Trail Economic Development Compact (H. Rept. 105–389);

Conference report on H.R. 2264, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (H. Rept. 105–390);

H. Res. 311, providing for consideration of certain resolutions in preparation for the adjournment of the first session sine die (H. Rept. 105–391); and

Conference report on S. 1026, to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States (H. Rept. 105–392); **Pages H10210–H10304, H10314–16, H10344**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Pallone motion to adjourn by a yeas and nays vote of 85 yeas to 308 nays, Roll No. 606. **Pages H10175–76**

Extension of Remarks: Agreed by unanimous consent that members may have until publication of the last edition of the Congressional Record authorized for the First Session by the Joint Committee on

Printing to revise and extend their remarks and to include brief, related extraneous material on any matter occurring before the adjournment of the First Session Sine Die. **Page H10175**

Intelligence Authorization Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report on S. 858, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, by a yeas and nays vote of 385 yeas to 36 nays, Roll No. 607—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H10176–82**

Pursuant to the unanimous consent agreement of October 30, it was made in order to waive all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration, and to consider it as read when called up. **Page H10176**

Community-Designed Charter Schools Act: The House passed H.R. 2616, to amend titles VI and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve and expand charter schools, by a recorded vote of 367 yeas to 57 noes, Roll No. 611. The House completed general debate and began considering amendments to the bill on Nov. 4. **Pages H10182–H10200**

Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 256 yeas to 163 noes, Roll No. 612. **Pages H10199–H10200**

Agreed To:

The Martinez amendment, as modified, that provides for the completion of the national study of charter schools and related studies that evaluate student achievement; **Pages H10183–86**

The Smith of Oregon amendment that extends to the State of Oregon the eligibility to receive program grants; **Pages H0186–87**

The Pastor en bloc amendment (consisting of Pastor, Kingston, and Traficant amendments) that directs the States which designate a tribally controlled school as a charter school to not consider payments under the Tribally Controlled Schools Act when determining the amount or eligibility to receive either Federal, State, or local aid; changes the title of the bill to "Community-Designed Charter Schools Act;" and prohibits contracts with any person who affixes a fraudulent label bearing a "Made in America" inscription; and

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The Martinez amendment that requires grant applicants to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and describe how special education and related services will be provided to children with disabilities.

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Rejected the Tierney amendment that sought to strike the State priority order and requirements provisions relating to grant awards by the Secretary of Education (rejected by a recorded vote of 164 ayes to 260 noes, Roll No. 610).

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The Weygand amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to extend grants to each state that complies with the requirements in the bill dealing with applications from State agencies.

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Rejected the Menendez motion to rise by a recorded vote of 71 ayes to 348 noes, Roll No. 608; and

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Rejected the Velázquez motion to rise by a recorded vote of 75 ayes to 334 noes, Roll No. 609.

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The Clerk was authorized to make technical and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill.

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The House agreed to H. Res. 288, the rule that provided for consideration of both H.R. 2746 and H.R. 2616 on October 31.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Becerra motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 61 ayes to 348 noes, Roll No. 613.

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Commercial Activities of the People's Liberation Army of China: The House passed H.R. 2647, to ensure that commercial activities of the People's Liberation Army of China or any Communist Chinese military company in the United States are monitored and are subject to the authorities under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, by a yeas and nays vote of 408 yeas to 10 nays, Roll No. 614.

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On November 5, the House agreed to H. Res. 302, the rule providing for consideration of nine measures relating to the policy of the U.S. with respect to China: H. Res. 188, H.R. 967, H.R. 2195, H.R. 2232, H.R. 2358, H.R. 2386, H.R. 2570,

H.R. 2605, and H.R. 2647. Subsequently, on November 6, agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical corrections in the engrossment of any measure made in order under the rule, to include corrections in spelling, punctuation, section numbering, and cross-referencing, and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House.

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Labor, HHS, Education Conference Report: The House agreed to the Conference Report on H.R. 2264, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, by a yeas and nays vote of 352 yeas to 65 nays, Roll No. 615.

Pages H10305–13

Earlier, agreed by unanimous consent that it be in order at any time on Friday, November 7, 1997, or any day thereafter, to consider the conference report on H.R. 2264, that all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration be waived, and that the conference report be considered as read when called up.

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Intention to Discharge: Pursuant to section 1025(d) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended, Representative Packard gave notice of his intention to offer a motion to discharge H.R. 2631 as follows: "Mr. Packard moves to discharge the Committee on Appropriations from further consideration of H.R. 2631, disapproving the cancellations transmitted by the President on October 6, 1997, regarding Public Law 105–45."

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Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the Legislative Program for Saturday, November 8.

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Meeting Hour—November 8: Agreed that when the House adjourns today it adjourn to meet at noon on Saturday, November 8.

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Meeting Hour—November 9: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Saturday, November 8, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 9.

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Postponed Suspensions: Agreed that the Speaker be authorized to designate a time not later than November 9, 1997, for resumption of proceedings on the seven remaining motions to suspend the rules originally debated on September 29, 1997.

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Further Continuing Appropriations: The House passed H.J. Res. 101, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1998.

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Earlier, agreed by unanimous consent that the Committee on Appropriations be discharged from the further consideration of H.J. Res. 101 when

called up; that it be in order at any time on Friday, November 7, 1997, or any day thereafter, to consider the joint resolution in the House; that it be considered as read for amendment; debatable for not to exceed one hour to be equally divided and controlled by the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations and the ranking minority member; and that the previous question be considered as ordered on the joint resolution to final passage without intervening motion, except one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative LaTourette to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions on November 7.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H10321.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H10175–76, H10182, H10187–88, H10189, H10198, H10199, H10199–H10200, H10204, H10304–05, and H10313. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:13 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MOLTEN METAL TECHNOLOGY FUNDING

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on the Department of Energy's Funding of Molten Metal Technology. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy; Gerald Boyd, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Technology Development, Eli Bronstein, Director, Office of Budget, Vicki Barden, Budget Analyst, Michael M. Torbert, Program Manager, Office of Waste Management, and Lawnie Taylor, Senior Technical Member, Office of Environmental Restoration, all with the Office of Environmental Management; Carl Cooley, Senior Technical Advisor, Tom Anderson, Deputy Director, Office of Technology Systems, and Paul Lurk, Program Manager, all with the Office of Science and Technology; Charles M. Zeh, Director, Gas Power Systems Division, Robert Bedick, Product Manager, Industry and University Programs, and Denise Riggi, Contract Specialist, all with the Federal Energy Technology Center; William Owca, Field Lead, Mixed Waste Focus Area, John H. Kolts, Principle Scientific Advisor and Kathleen E. Hain, Director, Environmental Restoration Program, all

with the Office of Idaho Operations; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE SUBPOENAS—WHITE HOUSE COMPLIANCE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Continued hearings on the "White House Compliance with Committee Subpoenas." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Executive Office of the President: Charles F.C. Ruff, Counsel; Cheryl D. Mills, Deputy Counsel; Lanny Breuer, Special Counsel and Dimitri Nionakis, Associate Counsel.

CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

Committee on House Oversight: Continued hearings on Campaign Finance Reform: Unions, Fundraising Abuses/Disclosure. Testimony was heard from Representatives Schaffer of Colorado; Fawell, Fox of Pennsylvania; Petri and Payne.

BOSNIA: THE U.S. ROLE

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Bosnia: The U.S. Role. Testimony was heard from Ambassador Robert Gelbard, Special Representative of the President and the Secretary of State for Implementation of the Dayton Peace Accords.

COMBATING CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN FACILITATED BY THE INTERNET

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on combating crimes against children facilitated by the Internet. Testimony was heard from Steven Wiley, Section Chief, Violent Crimes Unit, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

FINAL REPORT—COMMISSION ON IMMIGRATION REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held an oversight hearing on the Final Report of the Commission on Immigration Reform. Testimony was heard from Shirley M. Hufstедler, Chair, U.S. Commission on Immigration Reform; and public witnesses.

PREPARATION FOR ADJOURNMENT OF THE 1ST SESSION 105TH CONGRESS SINE DIE

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a resolution providing for consideration of a joint resolution waiving certain enrollment requirements with respect to certain specified bills, which shall be considered as read. The rule provides for one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader, and one motion to commit. The rule provides for consideration of a